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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the **PATENT APPLICATION** of:

Martin Fangmeier

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REPLY PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.111

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This Reply is being filed in response to the Office Action dated September 27, 2007 [Paper No. 20070925] and is submitted in conjunction with an appropriate petition for extension of time.

Please amend the application without prejudice or disclaimer as follows: